

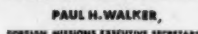
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The memory of this great meeting in Atlanta will linger long in the hearts of those who attended.

A Trip to



ALASKA BEAUTIFUL

*Land of the
Aurora Borealis*

By PAUL H. WALKER

AT 8:15 A.M. I BOARDED the Eastern Airlines airplane for Chicago; I traveled from there to Seattle by Northwestern Airlines, and then by Pan American Airlines to Fairbanks. We had an enjoyable trip with the exception of having to inhale secondhand cigarette smoke which densely filled the plane cabin.

We had been in Fairbanks only a few minutes when we noticed the rugged stamina of the pioneers, dressed in their heavy clothing, who were leaving for their various posts in the development of radar stations and prospecting for valuable minerals for Uncle Sam. It is true that wages are extremely high, but prices are extremely high also. No one that I know of has come back from Alaska rich. Haircuts are from \$2.00 to \$2.50 each, and other prices are in keeping with that. However, speaking of the haircuts, I saw many persons in the interior who were not bankrupt because of haircuts. Some of them had not seen a barber in weeks or months. Those who dream of going to Alaska and making plenty have much to consider; such as, transportation costs to and from Alaska, travel costs while in the country, the expense of heavy winter clothing, and the high cost of living.

Our Work in Fairbanks

Our Brother O'Mary and his wife have been doing fine work in Fairbanks. They have a good Sunday School and regular church there, and their church is practically self-supporting. They are building a nice church building, have purchased a parsonage, and are doing an excellent job. They have great hopes for a bright future for the work in Fairbanks. We praise the Lord for the manner in which He is blessing

them and helping them as they indoctrinate the people there to stand by their Church and its program.

Flight to Kotzebue

From Fairbanks it was necessary for us to go through the city of Nome which borders the Bering Sea. Changing planes there we flew into Kotzebue where we met our Brother and Sister Cowdell. We were happily surprised to find our Brother and Sister Sherbahn and children with the Cowdells in our church at Kotzebue.

We have a building in Kotzebue thirty by sixty feet in size; in the back of the church are adequate living quarters for the missionary. I must say that we were well-received and that we appreciate the fine spirit that we found at Kotzebue.

Eskimos at Worship

It would have done anyone's heart good—in fact our people here in the United States would have rejoiced greatly—if they could have sat with me in the services at Kotzebue, as at least seventy-five Eskimos came in for the service that night. To hear them sing in the Eskimo language gospel songs such as, "When He Calls Me I'll Fly Away," and other songs would make you know of a truth that missions money, if souls have any value, has been well-applied. Jesus said, "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" This implies that a soul is worth more than the whole world. Some of us, however, give two and three dollars a year—that is the value we place on the soul—while Jesus died for them, and a hundred million have been martyred for the faith of the gospel that He

inaugurated and sealed with His own blood. If souls have a value, the money spent at Kotzebue for the lost certainly is money well-spent.

Along with this rejoicing, I saw some dark pictures that made me feel sad. One of our members, a mother with nine children, lives in a little tent not as big as your living room. How they keep from freezing to death is a miracle. As you look toward the heavens in this land of the aurora borealis and see the many stars shining as brightly as any that you have ever seen and the brilliant northern lights, you appreciate the handiwork of our heavenly Father. Beneath the canopy of these clear starlit nights filled with the flashing of the beauty of the aurora borealis are the little villages with their many igloos, huts, or little tents in which the Eskimos live. They must hear the gospel. Thank God we have a station, at Kotzebue, just across from Siberia, Russia, where the flag of King Immanuel waves high.

Two Seas, Two Days, Two Countries

As we flew from Kotzebue to Nome, we could look across on a clear day and see the border of Siberia. Between Alaska and Siberia is the international date line. Russia and Alaska represent two separate countries, and the international date line represents two days. On the Alaskan side, for instance, when it is Sunday, on the Siberian side it is Monday. On the Alaskan side is the United States of America and on the Russian side is the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. On the United States side is the Arctic Sea, and on the Russian side is the Chuckchee Sea, so you can visualize at one glance two countries, two seas, and two days.

A Pleasant Stay at Nome

WE WERE REQUIRED to spend the night at Nome in order to make flight connections from there to Anchorage. In Nome we found a little hotel where we were comfortably located and went out to view the little town. The wind blowing off the Arctic Sea is not a warm one. The snow at Kotzebue was three or four inches deep, and that cold freezing wind blowing through the little town actually made me feel as if I had on almost no clothes. The Eskimos were dressed with their heavy furs and leather garments. We could see the icebergs in the distance. At Nome it was not quite as cold so it was more pleasant in looking the town over. We found a Pentecostal church there and spent the evening with the pastor and some of the members and enjoyed the time of discussion and fellowship.

The next day found us on our flight toward Anchorage. The flight from Kotzebue to Nome had been a hazardous one. The plane that had left Nome just before we had run into a mountain and all occupants were killed. So our plane flew low between mountain peaks seeking for the plane that was reported missing. I often wondered on that journey whether or not we would be reported missing. If you could have seen the Alaskan mountains, looked down into their jagged depths, seen the rugged

peaks as we flew around Mt. McKinley, the second highest mountain in the Western Hemisphere, you would realize that if a plane ever wrecks in these parts, it is doubtful there will be a survivor. If all were not killed, they would probably freeze to death. We were soon on our way to Anchorage, and this was a pleasant trip.

Anchorage Church Blossoming Out

Brother and Sister George White and the fine people of Anchorage are doing an excellent job. The property there is worth about \$20,000 and if I remember correctly, they owe only about \$5,000 on it. They have been making their payments regularly without any assistance, except a start, from the Missions Board. This last year the local church at Anchorage has had over \$7,000 come through its treasuries. They have been raising mission money and meeting their church debts and payments. Along with that we must give respect to Brother White who gave up a job paying approximately \$1,100 a month to give full time to his church. He is dearly loved by these people and is doing everything in his power to make the church a success. If you want to see a beautiful, well-finished little church, go to Anchorage, Alaska, where you will receive one of the warmest welcomes one could receive anywhere.

Palmer, a Great Potential

In visiting Palmer, Alaska, where Brother J. H. Davis has been stationed, I found Sister Duby Boyd and Sister Joan Ashby, who left Lee College last year and went to Palmer; they are busily engaged in the church's activities. Sister Duby is the secretary—treasurer and has a job on the editorial staff of the Palmer paper. Sister Ashby is working with the young people and is trying to make the church go forward. She has been placed there as pastor of recent date and is doing a fine job.

The church at Palmer is thirty by eighty feet in size. It is not finished. So far the basement is completed, the superstructure has the walls around it, and the bridging that provides support for the roof is up. It is hoped that within the next few months this building will be completed and that it will provide adequate space for a school which we hope to open in Alaska when ways and means are provided. The Palmer church will also provide the headquarters of our work in Alaska south of the Yukon.

When our Brother George Savchenko went there, he put in a lot of hard work in getting the logs cut and getting the parsonage built. He had no money to put in a concrete foundation, so he improvised one that has proved successful to date. We cannot say that his work is not seen there, because it certainly is. The dragging out of those logs in the extreme cold weather and the constant working to keep things going certainly represented hardship and sacrifice, as well as many blessings.

The Palmer church is now self-supporting and if
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Church of God Jamaica School of Theology



Miss Frances Olsen is a member of the school personnel of the Jamaica School of Theology, Jamaica, B. W. I. She was formerly with the International Bible College at Estevan, Saskatchewan, Canada and at International Preparatory Institute in San Antonio, Texas. She comes from North Portal, Saskatchewan, Canada.

After several years of holding classes in various temporary places, the Jamaica School of Theology began its first year of activities in its new and permanent location at Carron Hall in the parish of St. Mary, on January 16, 1956. This property had been purchased by the Missions Department the previous spring, and after considerable work by our overseer and those engaged to help him, the building was made ready for the January opening. This rambling, comfortable structure is situated on a property of twenty-three acres of fertile land in a beautiful mountain region a few miles from the north coast. It is cooled by fresh winds from the sea and is about the most healthful region in the whole island. On the property are many types of fruit trees, including the stately coconut palm; it is truly a beautiful spot, for it commands a view of magnificent Blue Mt. Peak to the east, and a glimpse of the blue Caribbean to the north.

The faculty for this year of school was as follows:

The Reverend L. E. Barrett, of Jamaica, as principal, teacher and dean of men. His was a busy schedule, for with his teaching of the heavier courses, he directed the boys in their manual work and made all the trips to market for supplies.

Mrs. L. E. Barrett, of U.S.A., as music teacher and cafeteria manager.

Miss Frances Olsen, of Saskatchewan, Canada, as teacher, registrar, and dean of women.

The school year of nine months is divided into three terms of three months each; a ministerial student is required to take three years of training in order to graduate. There is a Christian Workers' Certificate which can be obtained upon successfully completing one year or three terms.

Five girls and five boys were enrolled the first term. The following courses were taught: Theology I, Introduction to Bible (O.T.), Church History I, Fundamentals of Christian Education, Life of Christ, Theory of Music, and English Grammar.

The courses taught in the second term were: Theology II, Church History II, Introduction to Bible

(N.T.), Homiletics, Life and Travels of Paul, Theory of Music, and English Grammar.

One new student joined our ranks for the third term which began on August 13. The courses included: Pastoral Theology, Introduction to the Prophets, Bible Geography (O.T.), Organization in Christian Education, Principles of Psychology, Sight Singing and Chorus Directing, and English Composition.

The usual school day began with the first class at 8:30, student chapel service at 9:30, and classes from 10:00 to 12:00 noon. In the afternoon were two class periods of one hour each beginning at 1:30. Class days were Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Friday mornings. On Mondays, Friday afternoons, and Saturday mornings, the students did manual work, endeavoring in this way to pay for part of their upkeep at school. The boys kept the yards trimmed and clean, and planted and tended a large vegetable garden. The girls did the domestic duties such as cleaning, serving, dishwashing, and so forth, and these they did very well. Our native cook prepared wholesome and tasty meals, using a combination of native and American dishes.

There were supervised study periods from Mondays through Thursdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. with signal for "lights out" at 9:30. On Friday evenings and on Sunday mornings at 7:00 prayer meetings were held which the students took turns in conducting. As a general rule, the students went to the nearest Church of God for Sunday School and morning worship, taking a great part in these services.

Early in the school year a Students' Association was formed. Its main objective was the literary and cultural improvement of its members. This club arranged a farewell gathering for the close of the school year, and it was well-planned and well-conducted. The students offered a program of songs and recitations. Our guests for the evening included our island overseer, the Reverend P. F. Taylor, and family, pastors of the Kingston churches, and friends in the community. We were happy to have the Reverend T. R.

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A PICTURE VISIT TO

The Rhodesias

With W. A. du Plooy



*Africa's King, the
witch doctor.*



*The Church of
God teacher,
Brother du Plooy,
explains why we
burn the things
that belong to the
former way of wor-
ship.*



Masekule—Preparation for the Lord's Supper.



Masekule—Administering Communion in open air.



Matibi—The staff at the Bible School.



Masekule—Twenty-two converts being baptized.

A GREAT CHANGE



By T. N. Ward and Family

Greetings from Barbados.

We have been in Barbados a little better than two months and have never seen God work as He has here. We were here only one week when our superintendent, Brother L. R. Summers, left for a three-month vacation and we had to find our way around as best we could.

We have found the Lord real to us. First, the River Road Church gave us the greatest welcome we have ever had. We have never seen greater enthusiasm than that which was manifested here. The people were so hungry for the gospel that when I preached, they drank in every word; when the altar call was given, I could see that they were not only ready to hear but also to do the things I was telling them. As soon as we could, we started a two-week revival in which 75 received the Holy Ghost and 42 joined the Church. Due to the growth of our church, we now have the problem of building a church large enough to hold the crowds that are coming. We do not know where the money is going to come from because the people hardly have enough to live on and the streets are full of people who cannot find a job of any kind, but I am sure the Lord will help us in some way.

At our quarterly meeting, all the churches came together for a baptizing at 8:00 a.m., then went on to the church for some songs and prayer and a message from the Word of God. We come together once a month to take members into the Church and to baptize them. That day, we baptized 112 and took 120 into the Church. We also organized two more churches, making a total of three new churches since Brother Summers left. This made a grand total of 44 churches in the island. Last month we had 21 Sunday Schools to report and this month we had 35. Last month 13 Y.P.E.'s reported and this month 27 reported.

At 9:30 on Sunday evening we have our radio program "The Word of Life." In all my previous radio work, I have never seen anything like this. Just last week I received 52 letters, and I never fall under 25 a week. The whole island is stirred with this program, and it is impossible for me to fill all the calls that come in for me to come visit their community and have a service, even if it is only an open-air service. Others want me to come and start a church in their

village, but I have more than I can take care of as I am pastor of a large church and youth director for the island. Many of our churches do not have a Y.P.E. and do not even know how to start one, so it is my job to organize one in every church. At this time I have nine churches which do not have a Y.P.E.; I am going to start them as soon as possible.

Who will go to these other places that are begging for help? We have young men who will go and preach (and they are good preachers) without money, but they have no building. How will we build buildings without money? We just cannot do it! Maybe you cannot go, but you can help to send someone else. If you are a child of God, you should have a part in this program. Just what have you ever done for the cause of missions? What are you doing now? What do you plan to do in the next year? May God help all of us to catch the spirit and say, "Lord, what can I do?" Then, when you do this, God will speak to you as He did to me, and if you will obey Him you will be happy. I have never enjoyed my work for God any more than I do today. I really feel that I am doing something that will count for God and that makes me happy.

If you could only see the hungry people who want to hear the Word preached and see them worship, I am sure you would never be the same again. I know one visit to the missions field changed my life and my preaching. Several that had known me for a long time said I had made a great change. It would do something to you to see how far people have to walk to church, then back after church; yet, they never miss a service.

You may ask what you can do. There is plenty! For instance, one of our great problems here is in securing materials for Y.P.E. programs. They don't know how to arrange programs like you do in the States, so if you could send us your used *Pilots*, *Lighted Pathways* and Sunday School quarterlies after you are finished with them, it would mean so much to the work here. It will cost you very little to send them. The churches here are unable to buy Sunday School literature. It does not make any difference if it is out of date—just so they can have a lesson. I have gone into classes where they were teaching the ABC's because they had no lessons.



GERA



BROTHER LOCK AND HIS CHOIR



CONVENTION IN SCHORNDORF



**RICHARD
ROEHM**

**ERNST
GREINER**

**OTTO
ALBECK**

**WALTER
SCHMID**

**REINHOLD
STREIBEL**

**HEINZ
GEORGII**

GERMANY



BROTHER SORG OF BAVARIA AND BROTHER LAUSTER



DENKENDORF TRIO

Reverend Herman Lauster, the overseer of Germany, received his appointment in 1936 • The first church was established in Stuttgart • There are 26 churches in Germany • There is a membership of 707 • Germany boasts of 21 ministers.



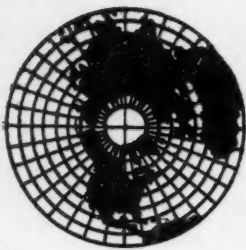
**FRITZ
THIEMANN**

**BERTHOLD
SIEBENEICH**

**FRITZ
STREIBEL**



**GROUP OF GERMAN MINISTERS. BROTHER
LAUSTER AND BROTHER LEE ON LEFT.**



Church of God

missions events

The General Overseer, Rev. Houston R. Morehead, leaves for Africa sometime in April, to attend the annual camp meeting and convention. These meetings embrace three different departments of the work there: European, Bantu, and Colored.

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The Editor in Chief, Rev. Charles Conn, is scheduled to attend some of the conventions in Central America and will be leaving soon after the first of the year.

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The Executive Missions Secretary, Rev. Paul H. Walker, has been directed by the Foreign Missions Board to visit the work in Peru, Chile, Argentina, and Brazil. As a member of the World Pentecostal Fellowship advisory committee he will represent the Church in London on April 10th, and while in Europe he will visit Germany to assist in laying ground work for the school there.

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From all indications the new Latin American Publishing Plant in San Antonio, Texas, will be dedicated near the second week of January. The members of The Latin American Publishing Interest Committee are expected to be present.

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The deputational men, Brother Wade H. Horton and Brother Johnnie M. Owens, report good meetings and a good response from the churches, and laud the cooperation given them by the pastors and state overseers. Receipts exceed those of last year. (When a pastor takes the lead in giving in his church, and especially in mission offerings during the visits of the deputational men, that is the answer to getting the pledges and offerings off to a good start. If the pastor has no interest and no will to sacrifice for Jesus Christ, why should the members? Good leaders have good churches.)

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The Missions Department will be represented in the Biennial Regional Sunday School and Youth Congresses that are to be conducted throughout the States. The Department appreciates the invitations by the National Youth Director to provide missions booths for these congresses.

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The General Assembly offering for the Bible school in Germany is nearing the \$10,000 figure, and will go a long way in providing essential materials and personnel and supporting the school effort for some time to come. The offering that was pledged at the Assembly is gradually coming in, and should reach \$11,000.

"Walker, Lauster, and DeLong had a successful caravan through Georgia", reports State Overseer, W. E. Johnson, Chairman of the Missions Board. The State of Georgia is aiming high again for a record breaking year in missions.

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Pressing duties have delayed the processing of the life story of Edmund and Pearl Stark, but it is hoped the book will be ready near February. Many have asked for such a book. Watch for its advertisement soon.

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Rev. and Mrs. Walter Lauster and Rev. and Mrs. Lambert DeLong have returned to Germany from their furlough in the States. Neither couple stayed their full furlough time because they felt the burden of the work in Germany and the need which demands their services.

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Rev. Vessie D. Hargrave and Rev. J. Herbert Walker Jr., supervisors of the Latin American work, will be busily engaged in convention work in Mexico, Central, and South America through January, February and March. This is a strenuous task and they covet your prayers.

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Hurricanes have been doing considerable damage again of late, in Haiti and Puerto Rico. Remember the people in prayer as some are in desperate circumstances, and they need our support.

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Rev. H. R. Carter, General Moderator of the Full Gospel Church of God in Africa, was with us in the United States for several months. During his stay he made many friends who hold him in warm regard. He has returned to his home land and is now back on the job.

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Rev. and Mrs. Sixto Molina have returned from Cuba and Brother Molina plans to further his education here in the States. Their work in Cuba was appreciated. Brother and Sister Hoyle Case are now in charge of the work there.

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A mid-term furlough has been accorded Brother O'Neal McCullough for six months, and he will resume his studies at Bob Jones University and secure his degree before returning to El Salvador. He will be available for week-end meetings.

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Rev. Mervyn McLuhan, Principal of Berean Bible Institute at Kroonstad in South Africa, will superintend the work in Angola along with his other duties.

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Rev. W. D. Alton has been transferred to Puerto Rico to serve as Educational Director of the Church of God school there. This school is expected to render a great service to the Spanish speaking people of the West Indies.

A TRIP TO ALASKA BEAUTIFUL

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the people there are faithful to God and to the church, our Sister Ashby will receive full support and will be able to do a good work.

The Alaskan Ministers' Meeting

IT WAS VERY gratifying to see the ministers and members from various parts of Alaska come to the ministers' meeting on Saturday, October 6. They were there for the opening service in the morning which was a blessed meeting. In the afternoon we had a business session and set up a missions program within Alaska itself and provided the territorial board to administer missions funds that were raised by the churches and friends in Alaska. Good work was done in adopting the program for the furtherance of a constructive development of the church in the field of building, evangelism, and united effort. In the afternoon the ministers met for a business session; after speaking to them for a while, we moderated the conference which went along very smoothly. That night we had a regular evangelistic meeting. God blessed in the service. Sunday morning we had another fine service at Palmer, after which we left for Anchorage. Preaching in Anchorage on Sunday night, we saw the Lord bring souls to Him and they were gloriously saved. This was one of the highlights of my trip to Alaska, the land beautiful.

A New Approach

It was necessary to set up a change in our organizational structure in Alaska by appointing a territorial board which is represented by each minister in the territory. This action terminated the position of overseer and will suffice to augment our program. Each pastor recognized his responsibilities in his particular field and also realized that the cost of traveling from one point to another is costly and generally can be done only by plane. For these reasons it was felt that a territorial board would be preferable to the other system, for the time being, at least. So all the extenuating circumstances relative to this operation have been justifiably cared for and the work, we believe, is on a fine solid footing and will net gains worth while in time to come.

In closing, may I say that Alaska is a beautiful land. In spite of its frigid zone there are many places that one would certainly desire to live in a moderate climate. Let us pray for our work in Alaska.

The picture at the beginning of this article is Reverend and Mrs. Millard Cowdell fishing through the ice at 40 degrees below zero.



Eskimos Lucia and Sarah eating uncooked "muktuk" (whale blubber) at Kotzebue



Eskimo boy astride white whale in Kotzebue

JAMAICA SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

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Morse, a member of the Missions Board, who, with his daughter Rhona, was visiting in the island at that time. He delivered a fine and timely address which was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

During the interval between the second and third terms, the students were placed in various localities where they conducted evangelistic meetings and children's services. The results were great. Revivals broke out in at least two places and a number were saved and added to the Church. Some of the former graduates of the school are now serving as pastors and evangelists, and one is in charge of the work in Turks Island.

Although the beginning of our School of Theology has been small, we feel it has had a good start and will continue to grow until it is a very potent factor for evangelism and education in the work of the Church. We thank God for the vision of the men on the Missions Board and for the sacrifices of our people in America and Canada for making this project possible. The future of the work in the island depends on the success of this venture, for without education the ministers cannot hope to take their places in this modern day of change and progress in every field. We see a great future for the Jamaica School of Theology if it is given the support and prayers of the churches here as we feel sure it has in America.



NONE OF SELF BUT ALL OF THEE

The Reverend V. E. Wolf who has been working in Douglas, Arizona, and other parts of this area, including Mexico, states in a letter:

"When we went back home after the Assembly looking for some transportation to get us over these roads, it looked impossible, for all were priced out of our range. But one night just before we left for the mission field again, a heavy burden of prayer came over me—a burden for lost souls. I found myself promising to go on without the truck and that I would be willing to sleep in beds infested with bedbugs and eat what was provided if He would give me souls. The very next morning things began to happen. A car sales manager who was holding a truck for \$2,295 let me have it for \$1,200. I had sold my old truck for \$600 and asked my brother to lend me \$600 more to make up the \$1,200. He turned and asked one of the brethren who was working on the job to advance him the money on the job he was doing at his house. The other brethren, hearing this, began to hand me money. They were all saying that they wanted a part in this truck, and we soon had over \$100. My brother said he would give the rest. God is good to us. Bless His name!"

I'm sure that our readers of the *Macedonian Call* will rejoice that we can all have a part in this great program of world evangelization.



BIBLE SCHOOL IN TELUGU FIELD

Recently a new school was established in the Telugu field in India. Brother Pospisil, our missionary, advises that he spent about three weeks in the school this year. Brother K. J. Phillip is the superintendent.



WONDERFUL VICTORY IN COSTA RICA

Brother Noel H. DeSouza writes that over 50 persons received the Holy Ghost in the Central Church in San Jose, and in Limon, 826 persons accepted Christ as their Saviour. They have no place to hold the people and the need there is terrific.



ANTICIPATED HARVEST

Reverend F. R. Cortez of the Philippines writes: "Having been appointed by the Missions Board to Mindanao Island, I hope and pray that the Lord will give a great harvest when we get there. I have in mind, if the Lord provides the needs, to start a Bible school in Mindanao just after we get settled there. The first thing that came into my mind was the need for good books. The new *Pulpit Commentary* and *Handfuls on Purpose* are books that are greatly desired, as well as other valuable books for the school. We also need a camera. A used one is all right with me. If there is anyone who has a good used accordion, this would be a blessing."

NOTE: Readers, you can easily see the need, and there may be those of you who have the *Pulpit Commentary* and *Handfuls on Purpose* in your library, and perhaps you have a camera that would serve the purpose. Others may have an accordion that they are not using which would be a blessing in the Lord's service. Missions can use many of them.

If you have any of the items Brother Cortez mentioned, we would be happy for you to send them to us for forwarding to him or to other fields. Ship to Church of God Foreign Missions Department, 1080 Montgomery Avenue, Cleveland, Tennessee.

FINE REPORT FROM JAMAICA

Our overseer of Jamaica, Brother P. F. Taylor, writes a very encouraging letter in which he states, "It looks as if there is a great spiritual awakening on the island of Jamaica and it really thrills my soul. New life and renewed vitality are on the increase.

"I have attended district conventions at Port Antonio, Broadgate, Heartease, Aboukir, Franklin Town, Clifton, Porus, and other places and everywhere it has been the same—crowds packed out just like Island Assembly at Beeston Street; the best part of it is, so many of the unsaved are getting converted, receiving the Holy Ghost, and are uniting with the Church in every convention.

"In one convention the pastor wrote that there were twelve that received the Holy Ghost and sixteen united with the Church. There were some fifty converts in the revival.

"Another reported fifty-six souls saved. Many hundreds of people came. At that writing there were forty in the altar seeking God. At another place, over one hundred souls were immersed in water. Since that time the church is crammed and packed in every service, and God is manifesting His presence in a marvelous way. I could go on and on from the many encouraging reports that are flooding my office. The folks are raising more money in their rallies than they ever thought possible. Instead of thirty to seventy-five dollars, it is from three hundred up to twelve hundred dollars. One report came in that they had raised three hundred dollars in the rally and another one, over twelve hundred dollars. I cannot describe how pleased I am to see the indigenous principal of self-dependency and self-support digging in and becoming more firmly rooted."



WORK MOVES ON IN THE GILBERTS

Dear Evangel Family:

You will rejoice with us to know that God has given us a few more souls here in the Gilberts. One old man who used to arrange all the heathen dances has been saved and is now a member of the Church. One young man is a very able preacher and has been helping in the work. Help us pray that he will receive the Holy Ghost soon.

Due to government holdups we have not been able to build as fast as we would like, but we have completed a six-room parsonage with shower bath (water from a kerosene drum when it rains) and one 28-by-50-foot church here in Elta. Now Brother Kustel is living in a little native hut and is working on the new church building in Betio. I am staying alone, except for a native girl, and I teach the school and hold the services here while Brother Kustel preaches in Betio and labors with his hands.

Praise God! The launch which we have needed so badly is now completed. "The Indiana" will make her maiden voyage on this coming Saturday. We do hope and pray that many shall hear and heed the "Good

News." This is made possible because you precious saints at home have given for His glory.

Please remember to pray for us.

Yours because of Calvary,
Rev. and Mrs. Edward Kustel
Elta Village, Tarawa
Gilbert Islands



APPARENTLY OUR LAST VISIBLE FORTRESS IN CHINA

The above picture is of a group taken outside the Church of God at Wang tsun Shantung, China, and these beloved saints in the expression of their heartfelt realities of the joys of sins forgiven, stated, "Jesus is the soul," which to us means that very spirit life. The soul life of what they are because of Calvary is centered in the Son of God who is the soul of all spirituality.

We shall be praying for God to open the door for this needy field. It may come sooner than we think. The prayers of those behind the Iron Curtain in the great land of China, and those who have been praying for their deliverance will not be unheard. Their sufferings and their agony have been beyond expression. Many have suffered death and deep despair; hence, God, we believe, will hear these cries of anguish and the doors will be opened eventually. I trust the Church of God Foreign Missions will be prepared to re-open the work that the enemy has silenced.



A BIBLE SCHOOL IN MASSONGA, ANGOLA

Sister Stark writes, "Yesterday when Brother Joaquim Martins and his wife passed this way on their way home from taking their girls down south to be in school, they told me that Brother Manuel Martins has in his Bible school over fifty who are native evangelists up in that part. All are of our work and have been saved in our work."

Sister Stark will be returning to the States before long. I wish it could be said of every Church of God minister in America that they could leave as a memorial the accomplishments that this sister in Christ will be leaving to await her reward when the Lord says, "Come up higher." She reports that five thousand a week hear the gospel at Vista Alegre, Gabela, Ebo, and Massonga.



YOUTH PROJECT FOR MISSION IN WEST VIRGINIA ENCOURAGING

The state youth director, Brother Hollis L. Green, stated that they had a most successful ministers' meeting. One of the projects for the youth of the state was that a goal of two thousand dollars be set for the District Sunday School and Youth Convention, offering to be used as initial payment on church property on the island of Guam. Objective: to establish and hold a beachhead in enemy territory. This is very heartening indeed. God bless the youth of West Virginia.



FLORIDA HAS SET HER HIGHEST GOAL

As executive secretary, it was my privilege to attend the Florida Ministers' Meeting which was graced with God's presence in every session. Great enthusiasm prevailed throughout the meeting. The state overseer, Brother A. M. Phillips, made the statement that Florida's goal for missions would be fifty thousand dollars this year. This statement was enthusiastically received by the ministers. More than that, they said, "We will take the entire support of the work in India and the entire support of the work in Germany." To this we must respond with a hearty "Praise God."

Our Brother Boatman, Youth Director of Florida, with his fine state council, met in session for the purpose of accepting a project for missions. At the conclusion of the meeting, they felt free to say, "Behold what God hath wrought." The door was opened for them to accept the full support (to an amount of three thousand dollars) of the Bible School in Santa Tecla, El Salvador. God bless the youth of the State of Florida.



GEORGIA NOT A WHIT BEHIND

After driving all night from Tallahassee, I arrived at the state office in Atlanta at four in the morning. Not wanting to disturb our Brother Johnson who had had a heavy week end, I sat in the car until six. After two hours of rest, I woke Brother Johnson for a conference. As he is chairman of the Missions Board, it was necessary to take up a few items with him. Almost one of the first things that he had to say was, "Our youth director, Brother Swilley, and his group are interested in a project for foreign missions." I asked him

how much he thought they wanted to raise and he said they needed a project of around eight or ten thousand dollars. We were happy to outline a project for them, not of just one or two items, but of several items. They will be buying motorcycles and donkeys; providing for scholarship students, helping national evangelism; and working on other projects that are very worth while. We believe they will come through with flying colors. Georgia has its sights set high and, as always, you may look for them to come through. God bless them.



MARYLAND ACCEPTS MISSIONS CHALLENGE

The state overseer, the Reverend Ray H. Hughes, stopped in the office and also wrote us for projects for world missions for his state, in an amount of not less than \$9,500. After arranging for projects amounting to this, Brother Hughes submitted them to his ministers' meeting; the ministers enthusiastically accepted the challenge to meet this need. If I know the state overseer and the good ministers of Maryland, missions will be tops there this year.



MIDDLETOWN, OHIO, SUPPORTS McCALLS

The pastor of Middletown, the Reverend D. A. Biggs, who is a member of the Board of Foreign Missions and who has a great church at Middletown, concurred with his church in the acceptance of the support of Brother and Sister McCall in the work of the Quezaltenango District of Guatemala. This represents several thousands of dollars a year as their project.



OUR MILLION-AND-A-HALF-DOLLAR GOAL

A number of other state overseers have accepted certain projects and responsibilities to do their part in world missions. You will notice by the thermometer that the work is moving forward toward our goal of \$1,500,000 between now and the next Assembly. Brethren, the need is great. We are nowhere near meeting the challenge, but if each of us will do his best, we can look forward to hearing a glad "well done" at the end of life's short journey.

HALF A CENTURY OF DIVINE LEADING ... 37 YEARS OF APOSTOLIC ACHIEVEMENTS IN SOUTH INDIA

By ROBERT F. COOK

What Others Say About It

"After reading your soul-stirring book, I felt I just had to write and tell you how much I enjoyed and appreciated it. . . . How God did bless my soul as I read its pages. I could hardly put it down long enough to do my housework. It has been a long time since a book has enraptured me so. . . ."

"As I read your book it seemed as if I were there with you as you walked along those roads to your different meetings, and it seemed as though I could feel the awful heat. As you told of different trials I said to myself, 'Would I have sacrificed this much for you?' Sometimes we think we sacrifice a lot for God, but how good it is to live in a freedom-loving land where we can worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience. It is so good to have a nice parsonage with a large window fan to cool it, well-screened and protected from insects, instead of a little hut somewhere with no doors or windows protected from bugs and insects. . . ."

"Really, we have sacrificed nothing when we think in terms of what ministers such as you have sacrificed for our Lord. I promised God I would pray and give more than I ever had before in order that His Word might go forth. . . ."

"Because of this book I have been drawn nearer to the Lord and have been made to love and appreciate even more the missionaries on foreign soil. . . ."

—Sister Frances Mangum, Epps, Louisiana

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"I'm reading your book and my! what a blessing it is to my soul. We have a wonderful Saviour and it thrills my soul to know how God walked with you and Brother Cook in India."

—Mazie Odom, Chattanooga, Tennessee

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"Thanks a million for the grand book that arrived yesterday. I sat up last night looking at pictures and reading some of it."

—Mrs. F. F. Pohlman, Los Angeles, California



WORTHY PROJECTS

We have had appeals from several of the countries for mimeograph machines and typewriters and at the same time many of you have asked for suggestions for projects; however, it occurs to me that someone may have one they could send us. We, in turn, would be responsible for sending it on to the needy field.

NEW HOME NEEDED IN NIGERIA

Paul J. Searcy, a man most humble, states in his letter, "The termites have eaten parts of the bamboo in the walls and window frames of our home, a home made of mud with a thatched roof. The floors and foundation are made of mud with about one inch of cement over all of it. Now the concrete has broken and the rains are washing the mud away."

Poisonous Snake Endangers Our Lives

"We have killed two snakes within the last month—one being very poisonous. There is a large crack where the mats connect with the wall, thus allowing snakes and other insects to enter. We have ants and other insects falling from the mats overhead because of no ceiling. Some of the natives have remarked that the missionary living in a mud house makes a bad impression on the Church of God Mission. We do need a mission house, not because of what people think but because of living conditions. But, Brother Walker, we don't expect to live as we would in the United States, and we are willing to continue in this house as long as it will stand, then build another mud house if we have to."

Dear Readers:

Will you join with me in prayer asking God to touch someone's heart to furnish money for this home? It will take \$5,000 to build a simple concrete block house. There are people who have means and could meet this need and, no doubt, someone will if they read this request. Our mission funds will not allow this construction at this time, but here is where someone with money can be a real blessing. You may write me for the particulars and you will be given full cooperation.—Editor.



CAGLES TO SAIL TO GUAM

The Reverend Z. E. Cagle, his wife, and their two children, Frieda and David, have received clearance from the United States Navy—their passports and visas.

Brother Cagle has had a burden for missions work for a long time, having served in the Armed Forces in the Far East. He volunteered to sell his car, furniture, and all the personal belongings he could dispose of to pay his fare to Guam to care for our work there and is trusting God for his support. I'm sure he covets an interest in our prayers.

What then is the most important work of the hour? It is to carry out our Lord's last orders. It is to give His Gospel to the unreached tribes and peoples of the world. That, my friends, is more important than anything else. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."—Oswald J. Smith